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08/904,860

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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THE REPLY FILED 17 December 2001 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

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1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on 12/17/2001. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
 - (a) they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
 - (b) they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);
 - (c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
 - (d) they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____.

3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: see attachment.
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) will not be entered or b) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: _____.

Claim(s) objected to: _____.

Claim(s) rejected: 1-34, 41-46.

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

8. The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is a) approved or b) disapproved by the Examiner.

9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s). _____.

10. Other: _____.



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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 12/17/2001 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Applicant argued that the usage of name-value pairs in a query string does not equate to storing and transmitting control information and that the WebCam+ does not user URL encoded with parameter values and control .

The argument is not persuasive because WebCam+ uses HTML form to send request to a camera control unit. It is well known in the art to preset fields' data in an HTML form when the form is send from a server to a browser client (via hidden fields as well as visible field modifiable by the user). It is well known in the art that the fields' data in the HTML form are send back to a server via encoded URL with name-value pairs (as shown by the *Perf* reference pp.68-70) when the form is submitted to the server.

Hence, WebCam+ has the step of storing control information (the control HTML form) and transmitting control information (when the user submits the control HTML form to back to the webcam's server). Since the data on the form are submitted via encoded URL (as evident by the *Perf* reference pp.68-70), the

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WebCam+ system meet the limitation of the control and parameters values encoded in a URL.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dung Dinh whose telephone number is (703) 305-9655. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 7:00 AM - 4:30 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Glenton Burgess can be reached at (703) 305-4792.

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